

TRIBUTE TO MING PAO DAILY
NEWS

HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 8, 1997

Mrs. MALONEY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the Ming Pao Daily News, an esteemed newspaper serving the Chinese communities in Hong Kong and Canada. Today they celebrate the debut of their New York edition, the first Ming Pao publication in the United States.

The Ming Pao Daily News began publication in Hong Kong in 1959 and is now the third largest newspaper in Hong Kong in terms of advertising revenue and circulation. Highly regarded for its editorial integrity, Ming Pao has received many awards. In 1995, for the fourth consecutive year, the paper won 7 out of 10 annual awards presented by the Newspaper Society of Hong Kong. In 1996, according to a Hong Kong Chinese university survey, Ming Pao was ranked No. 1 in reader confidence and authoritativeness.

The Ming Pao Daily News currently publishes two Canadian papers which play an integral role in helping the Canadian Chinese communities acculturate to their new societies.

In these editions, Ming Pao has placed great emphasis on reporting Canadian news, local lifestyle, political and social events, and sports and entertainment. In New York, Ming Pao is determined to provide the Chinese speaking population with informative local, national and international news.

Ming Pao intends to continue its service to the Chinese speaking populations in the United States when it expands its publication to include San Francisco and Los Angeles in the near future.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to honor the Ming Pao Daily News, a paper which takes great pride in its service to the North American Chinese population. I ask my colleagues to join me today in this well-deserved tribute to the Ming Pao Daily News as they launch their first edition in the United States. I wish them the greatest success.

HISPANICS HONORED FOR THEIR
NOTABLE CONTRIBUTIONS TO
NORTHWEST INDIANA

HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA

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Mr. VISCLOSKY. Mr. Speaker, on Saturday, April 12, 1997, numerous outstanding Hispanics from Indiana's First Congressional District will be honored for their notable contributions to northwest Indiana. Student recognition certificates, a President's Award, a Cesar Chavez Community Service Award, and an Outstanding Family Award will be presented by the Northwest Indiana Hispanic Coordinating Council during a banquet held at the American Legion Post No. 369 in East Chicago, IN.

Hispanic students representing northwest Indiana and northeast Illinois high schools will be recognized for academic and athletic achievement. The students who will receive

awards for outstanding academic achievement include: Christina Sanchez and Neil Sharp, Andrean High School; Christine Mendoza, Calumet High School; Christine Siordia, Chesterton High School; Heather Vela, Donald E. Gavitt High School; Sandra Martinez, East Chicago Central High School; Michael Soto, George Rogers Clark High School; Deanna Westerfield, Griffith High School; Diana Nevarez, Hammond High School; Christopher Calderon, Highland High School; Eric Chavez, Lake Central High School; Michelle Perez, Merrillville High School; Bethany Diaz, Morton High School; Jeanette Hernandez, Portage High School; Jesse Cisneros, River Forest High School; Elisa Maria Paramo, TF South High School; Kristina Vega, Thomas A. Edison Junior/Senior High School; Mike Cortez, Thornton Fractional North High School; Meghan Dougherty, Valparaiso High School; Antoinette Cardenas, West Side High School; Heather Trojnar, Whiting High School; and Jesse Flores, William A. Wirt High School.

Students who will receive awards for outstanding athletic achievement include: Nick Botts, Calumet High School; Brian Osan, Chesterton High School; Marco Lecea, Donald E. Gavitt High School; Joel Rodriguez, East Chicago Central High School; Francisco Rodriguez, George Rogers Clark High School; Daniel Guerrero, Griffith High School; Christopher Moore, Hammond High School; Tony Elder, Highland High School; Vincent Sess, Lake Central High School; Jessica Vargas, Merrillville High School; Jason Mendoza, Morton High School; Leroy Vega, Portage High School; Michael Cortez, River Forest High School; Joe Yanez, Thomas A. Edison Junior/Senior High School; Antonio Diaz, Thornton Fractional North High School; and Jorge Del Real, Whiting High School.

The council will also present the Outstanding Family Award to the Rosillo family. This distinguished family was carefully selected from many qualified families on the basis of their unity and dedication to one another's successes. In addition, Benjamin T. Luna will be presented with the President's Award. This honor is given to an individual exhibiting extraordinary leadership skills by means of guiding and mentoring the Hispanic community at large. Also, Medi-MEX, Inc., a nonprofit organization which provides medical services to the poor in Mexico, will receive the Cesar Chavez Community Service Award. The Cesar Chavez award is presented to an agency or group of individuals which have made noticeable contributions to the Hispanic community.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you and my other distinguished colleagues to join me in applauding all of the award recipients chosen by the Northwest Indiana Hispanic Coordinating Council. All of these individuals are most deserving of the honors bestowed upon them. Moreover, I would like to commend the Northwest Indiana Hispanic Coordinating Council, its president, Socorro M. Roman, and all of the council members for committing themselves to the preservation of their culture. It is my privilege to recognize them for their outstanding achievements.

THE 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY
OF STEPHEN AND JANE SCILLIERI

HON. BILL PASCRELL, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. PASCRELL. Mr. Speaker, I would like to bring to your attention the momentous occasion of the 50th wedding anniversary of Stephen and Jane Scillieri of Paterson, NJ. Stephen and Jane celebrated their anniversary on February 16, 1997.

Born and raised in Paterson, Stephen and Jane are active members of the community, especially through their involvement with Blessed Sacrament Church, where they are parishioners.

Stephen is the proud owner and president of Scillieri Funeral Home of Paterson and Hawthorne. He has served as former president of both the State Board of Mortuary Science and the Passaic County Funeral Directors Association.

Jane is retired from the Prudential Insurance Co.

The loving couple are proud parents of two children, Stephen Anthony and JoEllen Cox. In addition to being proud parents, the two are also proud grandparents of four grandchildren.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you join me, our colleagues, Stephen and Jane's family and friends, Blessed Sacrament Church, and the city of Paterson in recognizing the momentous occasion of Stephen and Jane Scillieri's 50th wedding anniversary.

TRIBUTE TO DONALD E. MUIR

HON. GEORGE MILLER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. MILLER of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise to inform the House of the passing of one of the most effective and respected political leaders in modern California political history, and a very dear friend throughout my adult life, Donald E. Muir of San Francisco. A heavily-attended memorial service this past weekend in San Francisco brought together an enormous assortment of public officials, former officeholders, colleagues, friends—all testimony to the active role Don played in the life of California politics and the Democratic Party over the past 30 years.

Don had been a colleague on the staff of State Senator George Moscone in the 1970's in Sacramento, and since that time was a trusted adviser to many of the leading Democratic officeholders in California at the State and Federal levels.

Don Muir was a political realist, and for him, politics was in part a business. No one performed the business side of politics more expertly or tirelessly. Don was a pro who could read politicians better than anyone, sometimes better than themselves.

But politics was more than business for Don Muir, too. It was very personal.

He was cynical without being a cynic; his easy going style—open-necked shirts and cowboy boots—belied an intensity and a competitiveness that were renowned.

For all his partisanship and fascination with insider intrigue, Don's real love was for our